Claims

We claim:

1. A system for facilitating the management of financial transactions comprising:

a request processor coupled to at least one of a remittance processor, arrangement
manager, financial institution validator, financial transaction manager, electronic payment
manager, and check writing manager, wherein:

said remittance processor is configured to process incoming payments;

said arrangement manager is configured to perform specified, periodic events;

said financial institution validator is configured to validate data regarding external institutions;

said financial transaction manager is configured to process and execute various financial transactions;

said electronic payment manager is configured to process outgoing electronic payments; and

said check writing manager is configured to process checks.

- 2. The system of claim 1 further comprising at least one of a front-end for internal use and a front-end for external use.
- 3. The system of claim 1 wherein the financial transaction request processor facilitates communication via a messaging system.
- 4. The system of claim 1 wherein the remittance processor is further configured to facilitate:

scanning incoming remittances into an electronic format;

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assigning a unique identifier to each remittance; and storing said unique identifier with data regarding the incoming remittance.

5. The system of claim 1 wherein said financial transaction processor is configured to facilitate:

receiving instructions from said request processor; translating the instructions into a format readable by another system; and transmitting the translated instructions to another system.

6. The system of claim 1 wherein said check writing manager is further configured to facilitate:

receiving a request to write a check;

formatting said request;

sending a print request to a printer; and

storing data regarding each print request in a database.

7. The system of claim 1 wherein said electronic payment manager is further configured to facilitate:

receiving a request to perform an electronic transaction;

formatting said request into a form usable by an electronic payment network; sending said formatted request to an electronic payment network; and storing data regarding each request in a database.

8. The system of claim 1 wherein said arrangement manager is further configured to facilitate:

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creating periodic arrangements;

validating arrangements against pre-determined criteria;

storing arrangements, including a scheduled date;

comparing a current date with scheduled dates;

transmitting messages regarding scheduled arrangements.

9. The system of claim 1 wherein said request processor is further configured to facilitate:

validating transactions; and

directing transactions to an appropriate component.

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